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**Walker D. Miller**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
 Education: Colorado 1963 LLB; Chicago 1965  
 Began Service: October 10, 1996  
 Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Foreign Law Fellowship, University of Chicago/University of Freiburg, Germany (1963-1965); Assistant Professor, University of Kansas School of Law (1966-1969)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Miller & Ruyle (1965-1966); Partner, Miller & Ruyle (1969); Partner, Miller, Ruyle, Steinmark & Shade (1970-1974); Sole Practitioner (1974-1992); Partner, Karowsky, Witwer, Miller & Oldenburg (1992-1996)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Colorado Bar Association; Colorado Bar Foundation, Colorado Bar Association; Colorado Rural Electric Association; Weld County Bar Association

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 Began Service: 2007  
 Education: Colorado 2001 JD  
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**Michael J. Watanabe**

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: February 12, 1999  
 Term Expires: February 2015

**Staff**

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**Boyd N. Boland**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
 Education: Columbia 1980 JD  
 Began Service: February 2000  
 Term Expires: February 2016

**Academic:** Assistant Professor, School of Law, Mississippi College (1984-1985)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Paul V. Hodges, Colorado Supreme Court (1980-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Holme Roberts & Owen, LLP (1981-1984); Holme Roberts & Owen, LLP (1985-2000)

**Current Memberships:** American Intellectual Property Law Association; The American Law Institute

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**Craig B. Shaffer**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
 Education: Tulane 1979 JD  
 Began Service: January 18, 2001  
 Term Expires: January 17, 2009

**Government:** United States Department of Justice (1983-1991)

**Legal Practice:** Dufford & Brown, P.C. (1991-1999); Giles, O'Keefe, Vermeire & Gorrel, LLP (2000-2001)

**Military Service:** United States Navy JAG Corps (1979-1983)

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**Michael E. Hegarty**

Magistrate Judge

**Government:** Deputy Chief, Civil Division, Department of Justice; Chief, Civil Division, Colorado District, United States Department of Justice

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**Kristen L. Mix**

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: August 2007  
 Term Expires: August 2015

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Jill Beaird** ..... (303) 844-3433  
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**Kathleen M. Tafoya**

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: January 2008  
 Term Expires: 2016

**Government:** Assistant U.S. Attorney, Criminal Division, United States Attorney's Office, Department of Justice; Senior Litigation Chief and Assistant U.S. Attorney/Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Assistant U.S. Attorney, Criminal Division, Colorado District, United States Department of Justice; Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Assistant U.S. Attorney, Criminal Division, Colorado District, United States Department of Justice

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**David L. West**

Magistrate Judge (part-time)

Began Service: 2004  
 Term Expires: January 2012

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**Gudrun J. Rice**

Magistrate Judge (part-time)

Date of Birth: 1943  
 Education: Smith 1965 BA; Denver 1973 JD  
 Began Service: February 7, 2001  
 Term Expires: February 6, 2009  
 Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Affiliation:** Shareholder, Withers, Seidman, Rice & Mueller, P.C.; Trustee, Board of Trustees, County of Mesa, Colorado

**Current Memberships:** Colorado Bar Association; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Mesa County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Howard R. Tallman**

Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1950  
 Education: Denver 1975 JD; Colorado 1984 MBA  
 Began Service: December 2002  
 Term Expires: December 2016

**Government:** Assistant U.S. Trustee, Colorado/Kansas, United States Department of Justice, Jimmy Carter Administration (1980-1986); U.S. Trustee, Region 19, United States Department of Justice (2000-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Holland & Hart LLP (1986-1995); Block Markus & Williams, LLC (1995-2000)

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute; Colorado Bar Association; Faculty of Federal Advocates; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

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